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SUBJECT: UN OPERATIONS IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA

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1. DURING RECENT VISIT TO MALABO, YAOUNDE DCM FRIEDMAN AND DOUALA CONSUL CLARKE DISCUSSED UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMS IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA WITH RECENTLY-ARRIVED UN PROGRAM OFFICER DEMUL (DUTCH). A BRIEF CONVERSATION WAS ALSO HELD AT MALABO AIRPORT WITH J. MUFTI, UNDP CHIEF FOR CENTRAL AFRICAN DIVISION, WHO WAS RETURNING TO NEW YORK.

2. DEMUL REPORTED THAT UN PROGRAMS MOVING VERY SLOWLY, DUE TO ALMOST TOTAL PARALYSIS OF GOVERNMENTAL APPARATUS, RECRUITMENT PROBLEMS AND LIVING CONDITIONS. HE NOTED THAT PRESENT TEAM OF 15 TEACHERS PROVIDED BY UNESCO WILL DROP TO SEVEN DURING NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. DEMUL REGRETTEED THAT NO COUNTERPARTS APPEARED TO BE AVAILABLE AND THAT GOEG WAS UNABLE TO DRAW UP REQUESTS. UNDERUTILIZED UN FINANCIAL EXPERT IN MINFIN DOING SIMPLE ACCOUNTANT FUNCTIONS.

3. THE ONLY BRIGHT SIGN APPEARS TO BE FACT THAT MUFTI WAS ABLE TO WORK OUT A \$6 MILLION FIVE YEAR UNDP PROGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY GOEG. MUFTI PLEASED WITH RESULTS. NEW
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UNDP REPRESENTATIVE ZETTERBERG (SWEDISH) EXPECTED ARRIVE

MALABO JUNE.

4. INFORMATION COMING FROM DIPLOMATIC SOURCES IN MALABO INDICATES THAT WORLD BANK ROAD PROJECT IN RIO MUNI STILL FLOUNDERING. THIS APPARENTLY CORROBORATES REPORT IN APRIL FROM MICHEL PALEIN, IBRD LOAN OFFICER FOR CAMEROON AND EG, TO EFFECT THAT ROAD PROJECT STILL NOT OFF THE GROUND. PALEIN WAS IN CAMEROON TO DISCUSS PROJECTS THERE, DID NOT VISIT EG ON APRIL TRIP.
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